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Copies of all references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being supplied. Copies of U.S. patents are not included pursuant to Pre-OG Notice dated July 11, 2003.

## **III. Concise Statement of Relevance**

This application is a PCT national stage application, all references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in the International Search Report, and a copy of that search report, which indicates the degree of relevance found by the International Search Authority, is attached.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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